

ROCKPORT COUNCIL ON AGING

MINUTES FROM TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2015

Present: Roger Lesch, Diane Bertolino, Director, Maureen Beeley, Christine Marek, Shirley Conway, Joanne Wood, Sue Terry.

Absent: Faye Anderson, Gilbert McCarthy, Donald Sudbay.

Also attending: Colleen McGrath, Diane Derow, Kate Van Dermark.

Distribution: Minutes from Tuesday, February 17, 2015, Agenda March 17, 2015, Director's Report March 2015, Town 2015 Budget Balances, State Elder Affairs Grant Balance FY 2015, February Deposits/Expenditures 2015, March Deposits/Expenditures 2015, April 2015 Senior Center Activities Calendar, Unduplicated Client Count and Total Units Provided by Activity- Recreation 2/17/2015-3/17/2015, Unduplicated Client Count and Total Units provided by Activity – Support Services 2/17/2015-3/15/2015, Draft-Aging in Place services for older "Middle Class" (private pay, age is only criterion)

Meeting called to order: 6:05 p.m.

Minutes from Tuesday, February 17, 2015. Motion to accept Shirley Conway. Seconded Christine Marek. Unanimous.

Director's Report: See attached.

Kate Van Dermark: Ms. Van Dermark made presentation regarding Aging in Place services and lack of services for older "Middle Class" residents.

Letter to Board of Selectmen: Roger reported that Faye has not yet received a response from the Board of Selectmen regarding two letters sent by her in February. The first was regarding the need for additional space for COA activities. It also spoke of the need for a van for transporting Seniors. The second was

regarding types of elder friendly benches and the negative aspects of using cobblestones at the end of Bearskin Neck.

Good Morning Rockport Police Wellness Check: Roger informed the members of the new program which began on March 16th.

Meeting Adjourned 7:05 p.m. Motion by Christine Marek. Second by Shirley Conway. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Lesch, Secretary